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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Budget Briefing of Mr. Woodruff and Mr. Preston on  
12 February 1970

1. The budget briefing session with Bill Woodruff and Ralph Preston of the Senate and House Appropriations Committee staffs yesterday provides us with some useful guidance to help sharpen our eventual budget presentation to the Senate and House Committees.

2. Woodruff made the following points:

a. Radios are sure to be questioned (costs vs. value returned).

b. Inter-agency (CIA-DOD) confusion still seems to exist [redacted] Would hope we can clarify.

c. To demonstrate the select Committee's oversight authority, it may go in writing to urge CIA withdrawal from Phoenix and PRU in Vietnam.

d. We will need to clarify the responsibilities of and relationships between NSA, USAF and CIA with regard to [redacted]

e. Presentation of satellite photography and what we say about it at Committee briefings tends to induce a state of euphoria and to imply that there is very little that we do not know. It would be most helpful for the Committee to hear a little bit about what we don't know and a description of intelligence gaps.

f. CIA COMINT activities and their relationship to NSA are perennially confusing to Committee members. This should be explained as clearly as possible.


3. Both Woodruff and Preston indicated that each of their Committees is apt to delve rather deeply into ADP expenditures and uses.

4. Preston asked a considerable number of questions about Agency contract procedures. His questions included asking about the grades of our contract monitors, the types of contracts usually let and the methods we employ to review them. This had an obvious relationship to current Hill concern over overruns and economy in general.

5. Preston seemed to have an unusual interest in the Program-Wide category, although time did not permit him to probe this very deeply.

6. Mr. Clarke hopes we can come across some better and more significant CA examples to be used in our presentation.

7. In general, Preston struck us as having an analytical bent and likely to require greater detail from us than any other Congressional staffer in our experience.

  
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